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Listing and Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A method for marking a copy of an image sequence comprising the steps of:

presenting the image sequence onto a screen; and

from a position located behind the screen, projecting through the screen at least one identifier distinct from the image sequence such that the identifier is displayed using visible light along with the presented image sequence

wherein the projected at least one identifier represents marking data comprising a forward error correction code.

2. (Originally filed) The method according to claim 1, wherein said step of presenting the at least one identifier further comprises the steps of:

measuring an illumination of at least a portion of the image sequence presentation; and

determining a projection brightness for the at least one identifier based upon the measured illumination.

3. (Originally filed) The method according to claim 2, further comprising the step of determining a location on the screen through which the at least one identifier is projected based upon the measured illumination.

4. (Originally filed) The method according to claim 1, wherein said step of presenting the at least one identifier further comprises the steps of:

measuring a color of light associated with at least a portion of the image sequence presentation; and

determining a projection color for the at least one identifier based upon the measured color of light.

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5. (Originally filed) The method according to claim 4, further comprising the step of determining a location on the screen through which the at least one identifier is projected based upon the measured illumination.

6. (Originally filed) The method according to claim 1, wherein the at least one identifier is presented at periodic intervals.

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9. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 1~~8~~, wherein the marking data represents at least one of a theatre identifier, date and/or time.

10. (Currently amended) The method according to claim 1~~8~~, wherein the forward error correction code represents an exclusive NOR operation of at least some of the marking data.

11. (Originally filed) The method of claim 1, wherein the image sequence is a movie.

12. (Originally filed) The method of claim 1, wherein the projecting step includes the step of communicating a command for use in controlling the projection of the at least one identifier.

13. (Originally filed) The method of claim 12, wherein the step of communicating uses a 35 mm piece of film.

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14. (Originally filed) The method of claim 12, wherein the step of communicating uses a screen advertising projector.

15. (Originally filed) The method of claim 12, wherein the step of communicating uses a hand-held stroboscope.

16. (Currently amended) A system for identifying a copy of an image sequence comprising:

a pattern generator for projecting through a screen at least one identifier distinct from a image sequence being presented on the screen such that the identifier is displayed using visible light along with the presented image sequence

wherein the projected at least one identifier represents marking data comprising a forward error correction code.

17. (Originally filed) The system of claim 16, wherein the at least one identifier is selected from a set of identifiers and wherein the system further comprises a processor coupled to the pattern generator for controlling selection of the at least one identifier from the set of identifiers.

18. (Originally filed) The system of claim 16, further comprising:

a detector for measuring an illumination of at least a portion of the image sequence presentation; and

a processor for determining a projection brightness for the at least one identifier based upon the measured illumination.

19. (Originally filed) The system of claim 18, wherein the processor also determines a location on the screen through which the at least one identifier is projected based upon the measured illumination.

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20. (Originally filed) The system of claim 18, wherein the detector and the processor are contained within the pattern generator.

21. (Originally filed) The system of claim 16, further comprising:

a detector for measuring a color of light associated with at least a portion of the image sequence presentation; and

a processor for determining a projection color for the at least one identifier based upon the measured color of light.

22. (Originally filed) The system of claim 21, wherein the processor also determines a location on the screen through which the at least one identifier is projected based upon the measured illumination.

23. (Originally filed) The system of claim 21, wherein the detector and the processor are contained within the pattern generator.

24. (Originally filed) The system of claim 16, wherein the system is configured to present the at least one identifier at periodic intervals.

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27. (Currently amended) The system of claim 16~~25~~, wherein the marking data represents at least one of a theatre identifier, date and/or time.

28. (Currently amended) The system of claim 16~~25~~, wherein the forward error correction code represents an exclusive NOR operation of at least some of the marking data.

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29. (Originally filed) The system of claim 16, wherein the image sequence is a movie.

30. (Originally filed) The system of claim 16, wherein the pattern generator receives a command for use in controlling the projection of the at least one identifier.

31. (Originally filed) The system of claim 30, wherein the command is provided by a 35 mm piece of film.

32. (Originally filed) The system of claim 30, wherein the command is provided by a screen advertising projector.

33. (Originally filed) The system of claim 30, wherein the command is provided by a hand-held stroboscope.

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